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Another Reply to Severeid Supporters

Those who defend Eric Severeid in his attack on "know-nothings," which is actually a misnomer for those who are aware of the threat of internal communism to our country, can be likened to the "do-nothings" who would guard their front door while termites eat their house from under them.

Let them show how many countries became Communist without being undermined from within. Communism acquired its ends by either of two ways; by internal subversion, as in Czechoslovakia, or by resorting to force, as evidenced in Hungary in 1956. They prefer the former.

Contrary to Mr. Strickland's generalization, the writer happens to be one of countless veterans who realize our country could fall as a result of these termites and their unwitting defenders. May I ask whether Dulles' "plan" to destroy Russia was any more immoral than Henry Morgenthau's plan to destroy Germany?

In case Mr. Illick does not know, Senator McCarthy's Communists did not wear a hammer and sickle emblem in

their lapel for identification; nor do those in the underground carry membership cards, be they Communists or members of OSS, ONI, CIA, etc. Mr. Illick's defamation of J. Edgar Hoover and the House Un-American Activities Committee sounds like a rehash of the party line from the former Daily Worker.

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